- (F) THE PLAN DEVELOPED BY THE STATE ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD OF ELECTION LAWS SHALL:
- (1) EXEMPT ANY CANDIDATE OR POLITICAL COMMITTEE THAT DOES NOT RAISE CONTRIBUTIONS IN EXCESS OF \$10,000 DURING A 4-YEAR ELECTION CYCLE FROM THE REQUIREMENTS FOR FILING CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORTS IN AN ELECTRONIC MEDIUM; HOWEVER, THE CANDIDATE OR POLITICAL COMMITTEE VOLUNTARILY MAY CHOOSE TO FILE THE REPORT IN AN ELECTRONIC MEDIUM; AND
- (2) UPON A SHOWING OF UNDUE HARDSHIP, OFFER TO ANY ENTITY REQUIRED TO FILE CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORTS IN AN ELECTRONIC MEDIUM THE OPTION OF HAVING THE STATE BOARD, FOR A REASONABLE FEE, ENTER-ON A DISK OR OTHER MEDIUM THE INFORMATION SUBMITTED BY THE ENTITY.
- (5) (G) THE STATE ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD OF ELECTION LAWS SHALL MAKE THE CAMPAIGN FINANCE INFORMATION THAT IS FILED WITH AND MAINTAINED BY THE STATE BOARD IN AN ELECTRONIC MEDIUM WIDELY AND EASILY ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC, UTILIZING ANY EXISTING PUBLIC OR PRIVATE SYSTEMS FOR DATA DISSEMINATION, AND ON TERMS THAT THE STATE BOARD CONSIDERS—CONSISTENT—WITH THE PURPOSES AND REQUIREMENTS OF THIS ARTICLE:
- (D) (III) THE STATE ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD OF ELECTION LAWS SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS SECTION.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, until the plan for the filing and maintenance of all campaign finance reports required under Article 33, § 26-11 of the Code is fully implemented in accordance with this Act, the State Administrative Board of Election Laws shall submit a report in accordance with § 2-1312 of the State Government Article, describing its progress in meeting the requirements of this Act to the Legislative Policy Committee of the General Assembly on December 1 of each year.

SECTION 2. 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October June 1, 1997.

- (C) (I) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, BEGINNING WITH THE CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORT THAT IS DUE IN NOVEMBER 1997, ALL CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORTS REQUIRED UNDER § 26-11 OF THIS ARTICLE WHICH MUST BE FILED WITH THE STATE ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD OF ELECTION LAWS MAY BE SUBMITTED TO AND MAINTAINED BY THE STATE BOARD IN AN ELECTRONIC STORAGE FORMAT.
- (II) BEGINNING WITH THE CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORT THAT IS DUE
 IN NOVEMBER 1997, ALL CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORTS THAT ARE REQUIRED UNDER §
 26-11 OF THIS ARTICLE WHICH MUST BE FILED WITH THE STATE BOARD BY A STATEWIDE
 CANDIDATE AND ANY POLITICAL COMMITTEE AFFILIATED WITH THE CANDIDATE SHALL
 BE SUBMITTED TO AND MAINTAINED BY THE STATE BOARD IN AN ELECTRONIC STORAGE
 FORMAT.